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Items from 3:30pm RICT Meeting

Water Related Issues

Water sampling teams plan to target "priority areas" (potentially oiled) and early warning areas offshore tomorrow

Dispersant constituent analyses will not be available within 24-hours; REOC is working with ORD on analytical methods for some constituents

Contract lab capacity is becoming an issue -- EPA is effectively competing with BP and other entities for lab services from contract labs

Official request made for BP application of less toxic dispersants

REOC has developed 2-page plan for improving data flow & potentially turn-around times - to be implemented immediately

Larry expressed interest in pictures at <http://www.2theadvocate.com/news/94272044.html> depicting oil washing onto coastal marshes - Karen explained procedures for determining the best approach for remediation, and she planned to determine the need for any follow-up action

Caption: Thick rust-colored ribbons of emulsified oil could be seen slipping into the shoreline of Pass à l'Ouvre Wildlife Management Area during a flight over Plaquemines Parish on Tuesday by Gov. Bobby Jindal and Plaquemines Parish President Billy Nungesser. The oil arrived in the area sometime over the past two days, Nungesser said.

Karen also mentioned that the R4/R6 integrated sampling plan should be finalized within next few days, in time for Perciasepe presentation on the hill

Other Issues

REOC reported that 4 burn teams were active; one fire jumped containment booms and reached a height of 50'

ASPECT / TAGA in operation

Some public concerns about unexplained odors - ERT will start sampling SVOCs in air to attempt to explain

Shera (OPA) is lead for communication with NGOs - Larry requested clarification about handling incoming calls

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